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In re the application of:

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## PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 29, 2005

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time for filing a response to the Official action mailed December 30, 2004, which set forth a three-month period for response. This petition for a one-month extension of time extends the due date for response to April 30, 2005.

A check in the amount of \$120.00 (ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS) for this one-month extension of time fee is enclosed. In the event this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0256.

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